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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application,
please amend the same as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 4, lines 17 - 28, cancel the paragraph,
and in place thereof, insert the following new
paragraph:

In order to attain the above-mentioned
object, the present invention employs a method of
carrying out electrocasting against wires under
rotation thereof, while they are maintained static
in the longitudinal directions to prevent biasing

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